

West Linn Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting

Virtual Meeting
4/16/20, 6-7:30pm

Attendance **Board:** Cindy Ellison, Greg Smith, Kim Bria, Victoria Meier, Andra Sigailis, Terry Shumaker,
Council Liaison:
Staff Liaison: Chris Myers
Guests: None

Mission [From the Charter \(Mission\):](#) The Sustainability Advisory Board is committed to collaborating with government and residents to improve the quality of life in West Linn by advancing stewardship of our environmental, social, and economic resources that is equitable for all present and future generations.

1. Public Comment

- None

2. Check-ins / Updates

- During this time of Stay Home Stay Safe, check in focused on how we are spending time
- Cindy has been walking a lot in Mary S Young
- Victoria has had to learn to teach using online technology
- Greg, Kim and Andra have been doing yard work
- Terry and Chris are starting vegetable gardens

3. Review Action Items from past meeting(s)

<u>Month</u>	<u>Action Item</u>	<u>Status</u>
July	Chris will continue work on ROW, park and open space overlay map	Pending
July	Chris will get us a work session date with the city council	Pending
October	Mayor Axelrod will contact AMERESCO about a city energy audit	Pending?
January	Mayor Axelrod to meet with PGE on e-bikes, electric cars and transportation issues and report back	Done
January	Mayor Axelrod to check with Youth Advisory Council to explore connections with the SAB	Pending
January	Chris to bring information gathering for SAB portion of city website	Pending
January	Cindy/Victoria will work on proposal to council about Leaders in Sustainability	Pending
February	Chris will call library director about feasibility of solar with new roof	Pending
February	Chris will report on energy efficiency upgrades at Robinwood Station	Pending

February	Victoria to report on new Rosemont NA community garden when feasible	Pending
4. Review / Approve February Meeting Notes		
Summary	Approved February Minutes – March meeting was cancelled	
Discussion	None	
5. Strategic Plan Discussion		
Summary	Greg sent out a document with goals and strategies that are related to addressing climate change that he pulled from the 2015 Sustainable West Linn Strategic plan Terry or Greg will send out this document in a word document format for others to review and make edits for discussion over email	
Discussion	All agreed to take Greg’s document as a launching off point to eventually create an appendix to the 2015 Sustainable Strategic Plan that will be sent to the city council. The council has asked for guidance going forward to address climate change. At this point, the city is not putting money or staff forward to come up with a complete Climate Action Plan like other cities have done.	
6. Timing of Upcoming Events		
Summary	Chris noted that nothing on the calendar for city events have been cancelled yet.	
Discussion	None	
7. Goals and Tasks Discussion		
Summary	Terry will summarize our 2020 Goals and Tasks to one page for our review before sending to council as soon as possible. Andra will work on a video presentation online for our first education series topic. Chris will get more information on the new lights for city hall. Victoria will contact Lori at Bosky Dell about her ability to work on the new planting beds in Old Willamette main street area with direction from Kim	
Discussion	Council is still working on 2020 goals because of delays due to other city issues as well as dealing with the pandemic. We want to get a short summary of our 2020 goals to them quickly for their approval. Due to the shutdown of meetings, we discussed other options for the education series. We originally were thinking of the fall for the series, but now might be a good time to explore videos that could be sent out as well as live on the city website. Andra was thinking about doing a video on chemical free gardening so she agreed to try it and get back to us. Chris said that the city has received a grant to upgrade lighting in city hall and the building maintenance person for Parks and Rec, Jeremiah Kirk, has asked if the SAB could help with this. The lights must be purchased in 2020. Kim B is on the planning team for the Old Willamette area reconstruction and there are new planting beds that need to be planted. Kim suggested native plants should be considered. The restaurants do not want plants that attract bees.	

8. Review New Action Items

- **All** to review and edit Greg's listing of goals and strategies concerning climate action
- **Chris** to get more information on installation of new energy saving lights in city hall and how the SAB can help
- **Andra** to work on an educational video on chemical free gardening
- **Kim/Victoria** will collaborate on possible native plants for the new planting beds in Old Willamette
- **Greg** will send questions to Chris concerning the spending of the budgeted \$4000 for energy efficiency upgrades from the OIT study.